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## MEDIA RELEASE

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The Judicial Merit Selection Commission found the following judicial candidates qualified and nominated at the public hearings held November 27–November 30, 2017:

### Circuit Court

**11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Seat 2** **Kyliene Lee Keesley**, West Columbia, SC  
**Robert Michael Madsen**, Lexington, SC  
**Walton J. McLeod IV**, Columbia, SC

**At-Large, Seat 9** **Jerome P. Askins III**, Johnsonville, SC  
**The Honorable Jennifer Blanchard McCoy**, Charleston, SC  
**Grady L. Patterson III**, Columbia, SC

### Family Court

**2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit, Seat 2** **Angela W. Abstance**, Barnwell, SC

**3<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit, Seat 1** **Thomas Murray Bultman**, Sumter, SC  
**Edgar Robert Donald Jr.**, Sumter, SC  
**Ernest Joseph Jarrett**, Kingstree, SC

**6<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Seat 2** **Catherine S. Hendrix**, Blair, SC  
**Debra A. Matthews**, Blackstock, SC

**8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Seat 1** **The Honorable Bryan C. Able**, Laurens, SC  
**Ashley Phillips Case**, Fountain Inn, SC  
**Matthew Price Turner**, Laurens, SC

**11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Seat 2** **Huntley Smith Crouch**, Lexington, SC

**12<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Seat 2**    **FitzLee Howard McEachin**, Florence, SC  
**Stuart Wesley Snow Sr.**, Florence, SC  
**The Honorable Elizabeth Biggerstaff York**, Florence, SC

**Master-in-Equity**

**Florence County**                      **William Haigh Porter**, Florence, SC

**York County**                            **David Eugene Simpson**, Rock Hill, SC  
**Teasa Kay Weaver**, York, SC

**As a reminder, the record remains open until the final report is issued at 12:00 Noon, Tuesday, January 16, 2018. Accordingly, judicial candidates are not free to seek or accept commitments until that time.**

**The election is currently scheduled for Noon on Wednesday, February 7, 2018.**

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